

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1586-01
Bill No.: HB 692
Subject: Department of Corrections; Crimes and Punishment; Health Care; Law
Enforcement Officers and Agencies
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
General Revenue	(More than \$100,000) to Unknown	(More than \$100,000) to Unknown	(More than \$100,000) to Unknown
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(More than \$100,000) to Unknown	(More than \$100,000) to Unknown	(More than \$100,000) to Unknown

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
None			
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
None			
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on the courts.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** assume the proposed legislation would require additional staff to track and collect medical and dental costs from offenders through health insurance policies or other assets. The staffing requirements would include the attorneys, investigators, and clerical staff to determine available insurance or assets and file claims. The DOC estimates the cost would exceed \$100,000 per fiscal year.

Oversight assumes the Department of Corrections could also realize a savings in medical costs by recouping some medical expenses. Oversight assumes the amount of this savings is unknown.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Savings</u> – Department of Corrections			
Recoup offender medical costs	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
<u>Costs</u> – Department of Corrections			
File claim/levy against offender insurance or assets	(More than <u>\$100,000</u>)	(More than <u>\$100,000</u>)	(More than <u>\$100,000</u>)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(More than \$100,000) to <u>Unknown</u>	(More than \$100,000) to <u>Unknown</u>	(More than \$100,000) to <u>Unknown</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

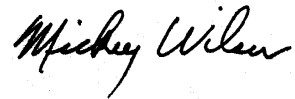
The proposed legislation would require that when offenders in the custody of the Department of Corrections become ill and are in need of medical or dental treatment, the cost of care be paid by the offender through any health insurance policy in which the offender is eligible to receive benefits, by the acquisition of any source of income paid to the offender, or by the liquidation of assets owned by the offender. In cases where there are no insurance, income, or assets available, the department is responsible for the costs incurred for medical care.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Corrections

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